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In re NATIONAL PHASE of:

Applicant(s): Kåre Breivik et al.  
Inter. Appln. No: PCT/NO2004/000200  
Inter. Filing Date: July 1, 2004  
U.S. Serial No: 10/563,469  
Title: A SYSTEM FOR STORAGE OR TRANSPORT OF COMPRESSED GAS ON A FLOATING STRUCTURE

Docket No. TANBP0101US

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

MS PCT  
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office notice, copy attached, dated April 11, 2006.

- ☒ [X] The declaration(s) of the inventor(s) is/are enclosed herewith. The above-identified application, on information and belief, is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the declaration(s) which sets forth the name(s) of the inventor(s) and the title of the invention.
- ☐ [ ] An accurate translation of the application is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ [ ] An abstract of the technical disclosure is enclosed.
- ☐ [ ] The filing fee or balance thereof is hereby being paid. The amount paid reflects entry of any accompanying preliminary amendment.
- ☐ [ ] A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ [ ] Replacement drawings.

Other:

- ☐ [ ] Power of attorney by assignee of entire interest is enclosed.
- ☒ [X] Small entity status is claimed.

The following fees are hereby being paid:

Fee Calculation					Fee
Basic National Stage Fee				\$300.00	Paid
National Stage Search Fee - Search Report    Provided				\$400.00	\$400.00
National Stage Examination Fee				\$200.00	\$200.00
Basic fee →					\$600.00
Claims*	# pending	# already paid	# extra	Rate	
Total claims	26	20	6	\$50.00	\$300.00
Independent claims	1	3	0	\$200.00	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claims (if applicable)				\$360.00	
Additional Sheets:					
Sets of 50 over 100 sheets		x		\$250.00	\$0.00
Total of above					\$900.00
Surcharge for late filing of the declaration				\$130.00	\$130.00
Small entity status claimed (1 if Yes, 0 if No) →			1		
Filing Fee					\$515.00
Non-English language specification				\$130.00	
Total Fees					\$515.00

\*After any attached preliminary amendment reducing the number of claims and/or deleting multiple dependencies.

- ☒ Credit card payment covering the aforesaid fees.  
☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 18-0988 under the above shown Docket Number.

In the event any fee or additional fee is due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988 (under the above Docket Number). In the event an extension of time is needed to make the filing of this paper timely and no separate petition is attached, please consider this a petition for the requisite extension and charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988 (under the above Docket Number).

Respectfully submitted,



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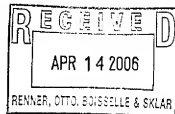


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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/04/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/04/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/04/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/04/2006
- Small Entity Statement filed on 01/04/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/04/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/04/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/04/2006
- Specification filed on 01/04/2006
- Claims filed on 01/04/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/04/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/04/2006



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$150 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$515** for a Small Entity:

- **\$65 Surcharge.**
  - The application search fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$200** to complete the search fee. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.
  - The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$100** to complete the examination fee for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$ 150**
  - **\$150** for 6 total claims over 20.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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#### PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

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